



Lester and Peggy Morowitz share their joy with their Aruban friends

For the past eleven years, Aruba has been the place where Lester Morowitz and his wife Peggy have celebrated the New Year, with their extended “family” of fellow timeshare owners at the Renaissance Resort in Oranjestad. This year he wanted to share much more than a champagne toast at midnight, as he had the great pleasure of seeing his son David married to the lovely Claudia Cortes, a student at Northeastern University from Bogotá, Colombia, last July. Lester was determined to hold a wedding party for his son and his new bride in Aruba during this year’s stay, so he could share this wonderful event with those that he considers his best friends.

Lester chose the poolside environs of the Radisson Resort for this festive occasion for a number of reasons. A few years ago, a very good friend of Lester’s name Michael Vono wanted to get married in Aruba. Lester called his buddy Douglas Rollack of Aruba to help with the arrangements, and Douglas helped them set up a beautiful party at the Radisson, that Lester describes as “the fantasy party that I would always want to have, it was absolutely perfect. I knew I would have to do the same for my children one day.”

On Friday evening, December 30th, he held the same lovely celebration for all those that he has come to know and love in Aruba, and that included many of the employees of the Renaissance Resort, that he and his wife Peggy have befriended over the years. “Another reason I chose the Radisson,” explains Lester, “is certainly not to slight the Renaissance, I am sure they would have done a beautiful affair. I just wanted to be able to invite all those that work at the Renaissance and have been so wonderful to us over the years, and know they could attend. If the party had been at our home resort, they would have had to work it, and I didn’t want that, I wanted them to come as my guests, and enjoy themselves.”

Who could not enjoy this beautiful affair? Despite the occasional drizzle, the food was fabulous, with a beautiful buffet of seafood, salads, rack of lamb, and a chicken breast stuffed with lobster and crabmeat that was to die for. The DJ not only played great pop music that Americans love to dance to, but they also learned to “Do the Wiper,” a popular carnival dance, and how to move to reggaeton music from their Aruban friends. The pool deck was filled with dancers of all ages kicking up their heels in celebration, and Peggy, mother of the groom, was the highest kicker of all!

It was a joyous event for everyone attending, and a wonderful example of the friendships and warm relationships that island natives have developed with their regular visitors over the years. All of us at “The News” offer congratulations to Lester and Peggy and their son David, and look forward to many more years of them sharing the holidays with us in Aruba.